



GIANT WATERMELON CONTEST

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14, 2010

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Indiana State Fairgrounds, Indianapolis, IN
Ball State Agriculture & Horticulture Building

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS ★ ★ ★

Thursday, July 1, 2010

Entry Deadline - July 1 (Postmarked)

Late Entries Accepted - July 2-July 30 (Postmarked)

(Late Entry Processing Charge - additional \$25.00)

Saturday, August 14, 2010

8:00 am - 10:00 am: Watermelons delivered to Indiana State Fair (ISF) for Judging. Delivery site: Davis Homes parking lot. (North of Fairgrounds on 42nd Street) Exhibitors will be allowed to leave their vehicles parked in the Davis Homes parking lot on Saturday, August 14. The Indiana State Fairgrounds is located at 1202 East 38th Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

A forklift will be available and Watermelons should be delivered to the Indiana State Fair on pallets. They will be loaded on hay wagons and driven to the Ball State Agriculture & Horticulture building inside the Fairgrounds for weigh-in.

10:00 am - Noon: Watermelon inspection & Weigh-off

Noon - Awards Presentation (Top 5 only)

All Watermelons will remain on display from Saturday, August 14 – Sunday, August 22. All Watermelon entries will be released on Sunday, August 22, 9:00 pm to 11:00 pm or may be picked up Monday, August 23, 8:00 am until Noon.

Sunday, August 22, 2010

All day - Watermelons on display.

Growers can pick up Watermelons from 9:00 pm - 11:00 pm on Sunday, August 22

Monday, August 23, 2010

Growers may pick up watermelons on Monday August 23, 2010 from 8:00 am - Noon. All Watermelons left at Indiana State Fair after Noon, Monday, August 23, 2010 will be disposed of.



FOR MORE INFORMATION ★ ★ ★

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Ball State Agriculture & Horticulture Building
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For more information on contest and growing giant Watermelons:

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Indiana State Fair Website:

www.indianastatefair.com

To download a copy of this brochure:

www.in.gov/statefair/fair/competition/competition_contests.html

★ ★ ★ TERMS AND CONDITIONS ★ ★ ★

It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to be familiar with and understand all terms and conditions concerning exhibition.

1. Read general terms and conditions and Agriculture/Horticulture Department terms and conditions. Please go to www.indianastatefair.com, click the cursor on Indiana State Fair on the left, place the cursor on Animals Livestock (online entry) to display the drop down menu. Choose the Open Class Handbook/Premium List and scroll down for Department 112 Agriculture/Horticulture, Section VG-Class 119.
2. The watermelon must be grown and cared for by the exhibitor. Watermelon growers from any state can compete.
3. Exhibitor must have completed entry form with fees postmarked by July 1, 2010 to the Indiana State Fair Entry Department.
4. Watermelons must weigh a minimum of 90 pounds to be considered for exhibit at the State Fair contest.
5. Watermelons must be on pallets when delivered to Indiana State Fairgrounds. A forklift will be available to unload and load watermelon(s).
6. An exhibitor can only enter 1 specimen per address.
7. Watermelons that have been previously weighed at a weigh-off contest other than the Indiana State Fair's will not be eligible for Indiana State Fair competition.
8. Any entry from the genus *Citrullus lanatus*, a group that includes the Watermelon, will be considered a Watermelon.
9. Cooperative Extension Agents and/or government representatives will be on site to serve as judges and to inspect entries and supervise weighing.
10. Each watermelon must be sound, healthy and undamaged. Entries must be free of rot, holes and/or cracks through to the interior cavity, chemical residues and serious soft spots. Cracks, holes and openings shall be free of any foreign material. The judges will probe any crack, hole or opening into the watermelon which visually appears to extend into the interior cavity. A 3/16" by 1/16" probe will be provided to the judge to probe any suspect cracks, openings or holes. An opening where the probe meets no resistance into the interior cavity will disqualify the watermelon from the competition. The decision of the judges is final.
11. Chemical residues and soil must be cleaned from the watermelon before arrival at the Indiana State Fair for the protection of lifters, judges and spectators.
12. The judges have the right to fully inspect each watermelon before the official weight is announced. Refusal to allow a thorough inspection of the watermelon will result in disqualification.
13. Watermelon must clear the scale in sound condition in order for the weight to be official and grower eligible for prize money.
14. In the event of ties, the prize money for that placing and the placing under it will be combined and split equally.
15. The Indiana State Fair Commission and the IPGA will assume no liability for any injury or accident occurring in transit to or from the Fairgrounds or while on the Fairgrounds. Not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged items.
16. Parking for trucks/trailers will be provided at the Davis Homes parking lot on Saturday, August 14.
17. The Indiana State Fair retains the rights to all watermelons exhibited. If the Indiana State Fair does not want to retain rights, watermelons are responsibility of the growers.
18. Growers can pick up watermelons on Monday, August 23. All watermelon left at the Indiana State Fair after Noon on August 23 will be disposed of.
19. Prize money will be awarded based on each entry clearing inspection and weight.
Prize money is sponsored by Indiana State Fair. Prize Money awarded to the 5 highest weighing watermelons:
Class Description: Dept. 112/Section VG/Class 119
 1. Giant Watermelon, largest single, sound specimen by weight
1st place - \$100, 2nd place - \$75, 3rd place - \$50,
4th place - \$35, 5th place - \$20

MAIL THE ATTACHED ENTRY FORM TO:

Indiana State Fair - Entry Department
1202 E. 38th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46205-2869

Over for additional Entries

Dept:_____ Owner Name:_____

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